

**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
DARIEN, CONNECTICUT
MEETING MINUTES
March 24, 2009**

Members: Lawrence, Greene, Gadsen, Castell, Macdonald, Brown, Groppa
Staff: Keating

A. Glassmeyer property adjacent to state Route 1 and Brook Street:

ARB is not commenting on the brick pavers for the crosswalk.

1. ARB #5-2009

***William Ravies – 1063 Boston Post Rd, CBD Zone.
Proposing one wall sign on the front of building.***

Ted Hildner on behalf of Ravies proposes a blue (PMS 646) PVC lettering with matte finish centered on white frieze. Each letter will be mounted separately. Capital letters are 10" and lower case are 8 3/4".

Approved as submitted.

2. ARB #6-2009

***Kellogg's General Store, 934 Boston Post Rd, CBD Zone.
Proposing signage for store.***

Applicant is proposing two signs located in the two brick panel fascias above the second floor windows and one blade sign under the center canopy. The front fascia signs will have 10" letters. The square footage exceeds what is permitted. The signs would require a variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals. ARB recommended applicant redesign the signs to comply with the Regulations and use pin letters on the front of building. Revised plans need to be submitted.

Applicant requested the bullseye arrow sign for the blade location. This sign is white/red with gold lettering with the background rectangle in blue – currently is placed inside the right window. This sign also does not comply with the Regulations and would need variances. ARB recommended the smaller "The Kellogg General Store" sign without the logo for the blade location. Revised plans need to be submitted.

Applicant also wants one or more signs on the part of the building that she does not occupy adjacent to Center Street. The portion of the building that she does occupy is about 100 feet from the street and, due to the distance and the shape of the building, a sign in that area would not be very visible from the street. ARB recommended applicant redesign the rear sign to more nearly comply with the regulations and reapply to the ARB before seeking a variance from the ZBA.

Application not approved, pending further submittals.

3. ARB #7-2009

***Swoozie's, 25 Old Kings Highway North
Proposing one hanging sign.***

Larry Bourque of ABC Sign Co presented. Swoozie's has taken over the Blue Tulip space in Goodwives Center. The proposed sign is a white aluminum face with grey letters and a pink/orange "O". All plastic letters, smaller than 10", will be attached to white face.

Approved as submitted.

4. ARB #43-2008

***Sherif Lawendy / Park Animal Hospital of Darien LLC, 168 Noroton Ave, SB Zone
Requested modifications of previous approval.***

Applicant proposes renovation of building. The James Hardee cement board siding color will be Woodland Cream with evergreen shutters (plastic or wood material with hinged hardware). A stone veneer was shown and ARB recommended installing clapboard down to foundation. The doors will be green. The roof awning will be installed over main glass door entrance and the trim will be will be green. The windows with the head casing will have copper caps. On the north side, two new windows will be added to match existing (one over one). The window sills along the front will be matched and level in appearance. The propane tanks will be painted green and located under the exterior stair. The rear doors will be painted green. The roof shingles will be selected from one of the following colors: Williamsburg slate, Slate, Pewter. Lighting will be located in the landscaping illuminating the front building face and flood lights will be installed as per code. ARB recommended sconce lights next to main entrance. The signs will be submitted under a future application.

Approved as submitted.

**5. Chase Bank Branch
Noroton Avenue**

Construction drawings were reviewed by ARB. The new windows were approved. The ARB recommends the brick siding along Heights Rd (west side) should be lowered.

6. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of February 24, 2009 were unanimously adopted.

The being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sean Brown